# EXHIBIT "A"

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SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY

ATLANTIC COUNTY LAW DIVISION

CREIGH BATTLE

DOCKET NUMBER: ATL-L- 1475-21

Plaintiff(s)

Civil Action

SUMMONS

CAESARS

V.

Defendant(s)

FROM THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO THE DEFENDANT(S) NAMED ABOVE:

#### **CAESARS**

The plaintiff, named above, has filed a lawsuit against you in Superior Court of New Jersey. The Complaint attached to this summons states the basis for this lawsuit. If you dispute this complaint, you or your attorney must file a written answer or motion and proof of service with the deputy clerk of the Superior Court in the county listed above within 35 days from the date you received this summons, not counting the date you received it. An \$135.00 filing fee payable to clerk of Superior Court and a completed Case Information Statement (available from the deputy clerk of the Superior Court) must accompany your enswer or motion when it is filed. You must also send a copy of your answer to plaintiff's attorney whose name and address appear above, or to plaintiff, if no attorney is named above. A telephone call will not protect your rights; you must file and serve a written answer or motion (with fee and completed Case Information Statement) if you want the court to hear your defense. If you do not file and serve a written answer or motion within 35 days, the court may enter judgment against you for the relief plaintiff demands, plus interest and costs of suit. If judgment is entered against you, the Sheriff may seize your money, wages or property to pay all or part of the judgment. If you cannot afford to pay an attorney, call a Legal Services Office in the county where you live. A list of these offices is attached. If you do not have an attorney and are not eligible for free legal assistance, you may obtain a referral to an attorney by calling one of the Lawyer Referral Services.

Dated: 5-21-2/

/s/ Michelle Smith MICHELLE SMITH, CLERK SUPERIOR COURT

Name of defendant to be served: CAESARS

Address for service:

2100 PACIFIC AVG. ATLANTIC CITY AT

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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY LAW DIVISION

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF ATLANTIC

CREIGH BATTLE

Plaintiff(s)

VS.

CIVIL ACTION

COMPLAINT

CAESARS

Defendant(s)

Plaintiff Creigh Battle by way of complaint against defendant(s) says;

### FIRST COUNT

- 1. On or about May 11, 2019 plaintiff was a patron at the premises of defendant in Atlantic City, NJ.
- 2. At said time and place plaintiff acted in a careful and reasonable manner, free of any negligence whatsoever.
- 3. At said time and place a property owned by defendant was caused to be maintained in a negligent/careless and otherwise unreasonable manner. Said premises lacked proper security and/or personnel that would properly handle/direct patrons in a manner which would keep order.
- 4. Said premises condition was the result of the negligence of the defendant to this action.
- 5. As a result of said condition, plaintiff was caused to be assaulted by a patron and caused to incur severe injuries to his person.

- 6. Plaintiff's injuries were the direct and proximate result of the negligence of the defendant.
- 7. Defendant(s) had a duty to warn of said condition, take reasonable measures to alleviate/mitigate said condition, or take other measures that would be in keeping with imposed standards of the common law or of standards set by similarly situated property owners.

Wherefore plaintiff Creigh Battle demands judgment against defendant Caesars for his losses, damages, expenses, economic losses, medical bills, interests, attorney fees, costs of suit and any and all other consequential damages.

## JURY DEMAND

Plaintiff demands a trial by jury as to all issues.

## DESIGNATION OF TRIAL COUNSEL

Pursuant to Rule 4:25-4, Jeff Sheppard, Esquire, is hereby designated as trial counsel for the within cause of action.

## CERTIFICATION

Pursuant to the rules Governing the Courts of the State of New Jersey I hereby certify that the matter in controversy in this case is not the subject of any other action pending in any other court or of a pending arbitration proceeding nor is any other action or arbitration proceeding contemplated. There are no other parties who should be joined to this action to the best of my knowledge.

JEFF SHEPPARD ESQ.

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